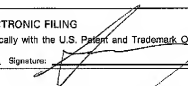


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**Attached are:**

- ☒ Transmittal Letter; Response to Office Action dated November 14, 2006; Petition and Fee for Extension of Time; Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; and Form PTO-1449.
- ☐ Return Receipt Postcard

**Fee calculation:**

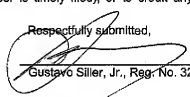
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- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☒ An extension fee in an amount of \$120.00 for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
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- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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